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# THE COLLEGE VACUUM

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Connecticut College By The Nuclear Attack Sub Base

APRIL 1, 1985

## SPROTTERS SEIZED

*College Voice Linked to International Sprotting Conspiracy*

NEW LONDON (CCPS) Connecticut College Campus Safety, the New London Police Department, the F.B.I., and SGA staged a pre-dawn raid on the office of the **College Voice** last Saturday, arresting seven people and holding twenty-five others for questioning.

Rumors that the **Voice** was operating a clandestine sprotting ring triggered the raid.

"We've had this group under surveillance since January," stated F.B.I.

detective Morton Piddlefinch.

**Voice** staff members and groupees were allegedly engaged in an orgiastic Sprotfest, according to NLPD Chief Reel Manlee. "It was pretty sick," said Reel, repulsed. "They were all packed in the room abusing Cornish Game Hens."

The NLPD confiscated two tons of Cornish Game hens along with the arrests. Officials believe the hens are connected with the bizarre March robbery of 400 game hens

form Harris refactory.

The NLPD called out it's crack Special Anti-Terrorism Force and a Boston S.W.A.T. team to surround Crozier-Williams, where the **Voice** offices are located, at 5:00 a.m. Saturday, March 23.

The anti-terrorism squad was brought in when the F.B.I. discovered the Sprotters were disemboweling Cornish Game Hens and filling them with explosives. The hens were then to be place in supermarkets na-

tionwide in an insidious campaign of wanton, senseless terrorism.

"We demanded they give up the game hens and surrender peacefully," said Chief Manlee.

Editor-in-Chief William F. Walter X, alias King Sprot, cried out as he was being taken away, "Today the **Voice**, tomorrow East Pelham."

Assistant editor Leslie Lamkin seemed confused and asked, "You mean this isn't Filene's basement!"

Managing Editor Fernando Espuelas, a known subversive, was apprehended tormenting SGA Parliamentarian Cushing Anderson with back issues of the **Voice**. "See if he ever rules me out of order again," frothed Fernando fiercely.

Anderson was bound and gagged, apparently being held hostage by the salacious sprotters. "They're animals," Anderson gibbered when ungagged.

News Editor, Dave

**Voice's** mysterious personals, Piddlefinch deduced the newspaper was perpetrating a new and frightening cult, code-named sprotting, which brainwashes members into doing depraved things with Cornish Game Hens.

Apparently, according to Piddlefinch, the newspaper **The College Voice** is a cover for a massive, nationwide organization whose goal is to brainwash all of America's college students through sprotting. "If we hadn't caught it now," maintained Piddlefinch, "It could have been worse than the moonies."

"Look at the numbers of foreigners on its staff," said President Reagan, when told of the potential threat and its quick supression. The **Voice** has members from England, Hong Kong, Uruguay, Iran and Pelham. "This is obviously an attempt by the Evil Empire to corrupt the minds of today's wholesome youth, who

*"You have nothing to lose but your hens!"*

Tyler yelled incendiary slogans as he was carted off. "Sprotters of the world, unite! You have nothing to lose but your game hens!" he cried, and breathed fire.

Co-business Editors Alison Lowe and Sally Jones were found hiding in the photo lab in a red '67 VW beetle. "Damn car never starts when you want it to," cursed Lowe.

Distribution Chief Barb Neu was discovered sprawled in a corner muttering "Coffee ice cream" repeatedly.

"This organization has been involved in subversive sprotting activities for months," asserted Piddlefinch of the F.B.I., "right under the noses of the entire campus."

By following the

have recently rediscovered the true American values of greed and exploitation."

Assistant to the President Jane Bredeson spoke for the college in reaction to events. "I'm shocked, simply shocked, that our innocent boys and girls have been exposed to such weirdness," said Bredeson, shaking.

"I always knew that newspaper was not nice. They printed such nasty news. Why couldn't they write about all the wonderful things at this school so I could use it for publicity in selling this place."

The **Voice** suspects are awaiting trial in the New London County Jail. Bail has been set at one million dollars.

## FOOD

by P. Brigid Ryan

The Residence Department has announced that it will soon be implementing a major change in the food service at Connecticut. They will continue to plan menus utilising the four basic food groups, but as of Monday, March 25, these food groups will be redefined.

"This is not really a major change," stated Mr. Frank Purdue, director of the Residence Department. "It is, rather, the codification and clarification of a tacit policy that has been in effect for quite some time." The revised policy is that at Conn., the four main food groups will be chicken, turkey, cornish game hens and miscellaneous fowl. Included in this last group are chicken pot pies, turkey shortbread, chicken salad, and several of the various incarnations of American chop suey, including the "Kentucky Fried" version.

Responding to a reporter's questions on why artificial eggs have been served at brunch (they are readily identifiable by their uniformly yellow color when scrambled), Mr. Purdue merely smiled and said, "That's an age-old question, isn't it? Which came first, the (artificial) chicken or the (artificial) egg?"

One major drawback of the new policy is the end of the dinner theater presentations

in Harris. Chef Killeneet, known as "the Liberace of the carving board," will no longer be able to entertain students with his meat-carving prowess on Roast Beef Night. Students always looked forward to his presentations, conveniently staged in the middle of traffic patterns in Harris.

Mr. Purdue allayed any remaining fears by stating that food identification signs will continue to be prominently displayed at all meals. "At Conn.," he said, "an educated consumer is our best customer."

In a related story, fighting broke out in Smith Burdick dining room last Tuesday morning when one student accused another of illicitly removing the treasure map from a box of Cap'n Crunch.

The accuser, a sophomore, stated, "I could tell from the way he was shaking the box and looking into that he was up to no good. I've got five brothers and sisters at home and I know where that kind of behavior leads."

The accused, a senior, stated, "I've been at this school for four years and I've yet to have a prize fall into my bowl. I just couldn't take it anymore."

The Judiciary Board has recommended that the treasure seeker be required to find the dishes, bowls, glasses, mugs and utensils missing from Smith Burdick.

## GIRL DEAD

Ceymour and Francesca Olberdinck of 52 Cattle Drive, Buffalo, New York, are pleased to announce the demise of their daughter, Henrietta. Miss Olberdinck reportedly choked to death on a cheese sandwich at The Stampede, a diner in Buffalo.

Miss Olberdinck, who as a Connecticut College student lived on the fourth floor of Blackstone last year, was born on April 1, 1964. Her hobbies included aerobic weight-lifting, loitering, and sending love letters to various members of the Kansas City Chiefs.

She had hoped that by majoring in Ancient Chinese Pottery, she would be qualified for a career in terrorism.

In lieu of flowers, her family would appreciate a donation of Burger King gift certificates.



# PERISHSCOPE

by Sinclair Alver

**Paris** - Vandals last Tuesday broke into the Louvre and defaced the classic Venus de Milo. According to museum sources the vandals attached arms to the statue.

**Washington** - Researchers working for the government Technology and Exploration Agency found a seventy-five year old brain in an alcove of the White House. Aids close to the President denied reports that it was Mr. Reagan's brain which had been found. One White House staff member, who declined to be identified, stated, "No way this is Reagan's brain. I have it from very reliable sources that the President lost his brain in the 1940's, during the filming of a classic Bonzo movie.

Now I don't care what you reporters say, but can you explain to me how his brain would travel cross country, and hide itself in an alcove? And anyway the President lost his mind years ago, what would the brain have to gain by showing up now? He's [the president] done just fine without a cerebellum for the last forty-five years, this finding will have no impact on how he deals with policy. Anyway, brains never played a key role in this Administration's policies."

**Washington** - Vandals last Tuesday broke into the White House and defaced the First Lady, Nancy Reagan. According to Administration sources the vandals attached a personality to the First Lady. An irate President Reagan told reporters, "If I had wanted a

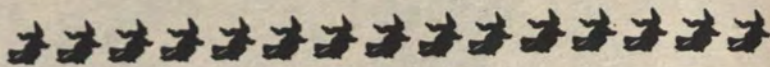
broad with a personality I wouldn't have divorced Jane Wyman. This is obviously the work of godless-pinko-commie-homo-feminist agents." Doctors are reportedly studying ways to remove the new personality without messing up Mrs. Reagan's perm.

**New London** - Vandals last Tuesday broke into President Oaks Ames house and defaced Mr. Ames. According to college sources the vandals attached a Harpo Marx style wig on the President's head.

**Washington** - Coinciding with Mr. Reagan's warning to potential Congressional tax raisers that he had his veto pen out and dare them to "Make my day," the Administration has implemented an Inspector Calahan-like policy, right out of the Clint Eastwood film. Mr. Deaver, an important aid to the President, has stated that the policy has already produced the desired results.

Last week, Mr. Deaver reported, a group of girl scouts lobbying for the preservation of national forests petitioned the President. Mr. Reagan warned the girl scouts that they shouldn't stand in the way of progress, the Yellowstone [Park] Condo and Mall Complex has to be build, he said, for national security reasons. The girl scouts persisted and Mr. Reagan was forced to take out his Magnum 457 and shoot off the pony tails of two of the most recalcitrant of the girl scouts. Mr. Deaver concluded, "Then the junior commies ran from the White House like screaming pigs. God, it was great."

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## Mimie Dearest

by Mimie Winterfresh

**Dear Mimie:**

My boyfriend Carl dumped me at a party. He said he wanted his freedom. It looks like a blonde to me. Anyway, now he wants to get back with me. What should I do?

Confused in J.A.

**Dear Jane:**

Your boyfriend sounds like a mongolian barbarian. Mention the word "eunuch" to him a couple of times, if he still wants to stay together make him one. This should keep him from seeking too much freedom.

Mimie

**Dear Mimi:**

I'm a good looking guy with a great sense of humor. I've tried dating with Conn. girls, but I just can't get into it. There is something missing. Can you help me? I have a weird attraction, well, to cornish game hens. Help!

Lonely in the North

**Dear Lonely Northerner:**

Look, honey, this is a clean column. I don't want to hear about you poultry perverts. If you want advice on cornish game hens talk to weirdos at the College Voice!

Mimie

**Dear Mimi:**

I'm a good looking girl with a super sense of humor. I've tried dating the men here at Conn., but it just doesn't seem to work. In fact, I'm somewhat attracted to cornish game hens. Can you help me?

Poultry in the South

**Dear Bird:**

What the hell is this? Do I have to put up with this crap from you and your fellow crazy from the north? No, my dear purdue fan, no indeed. Find a hen and play with it, but don't tell me about it.

Mimie



## OAKES AIMES SAYS.....

*'Try Miracle Grow Tonic!'*



BEFORE



AFTER

Love is blind

God is Love

Ray Charles is Blind

Ray Charles is God





# When Oakesonomics Fails

We understand that the college is in dire need of funds for its Campaign for Connecticut College. The need to modernise and improve the college is a goal we all share. That is why the College Vacuum is proposing the following fund raising ideas.

1. Turn the Arboretum into a huge poultry farm. In this manner the thousands of dollars spent on providing the students with chickens and turkeys could be saved. There wouldn't even be the need for caretakers. Mrs. Ames could feed the poultry from her back porch. She could say, "Chickie, chickie..." and all the fowl would flock to feed.

2. Instead of picking the housefellows in a scientific manner turn it into a mud wrestling match. The college could sell tickets to see the "Camel Mud Warriors" go at it. The Romans tried it with early Christians, if it worked for them is a cinch it will work for us. In the same vein, the contest could be expanded to include Administration-Faculty matches. For example, Jane "Bone Crusher" Bredeson vs. George "Dynamite Toes" Willauer could draw huge crowds.

3. Turn Harkness Green into a polo field. Then the college could invite Prince Charles, strap him to his horse (to prevent him from taking one of his famous examinations of the grass with his royal buns), and let him win the game. Then President Ames can casually suggest that the Prince send part of the crown jewels to Conn. It could all be done in a cocktail party. Ames could say, "Well, Chuck, that was some game, you played superbly. And by the by could you send us a tiara or two from London?" We are sure this will provide the desired results.

These, of course, are only some of the many alternatives the college has to raise funds. We are sure that the Administration can come up with many more. But if they can't, how about: make a U.S.A. for Conn album? The video could show preppies with shredded Izod shirts, and President Ames distributing emergency relief Polo shirts. Something to think about.

Willy Wonka, Geespot, I.M.

Abich, Connie Servative, Libby Rail, Jane Bredeson, Nancy Reagan, Jerry Falwell, Queen Elizabeth I, Queen Elizabeth II, Queen Isabela, Queen Boy George, Barbar the Elephant, Ray Charles, Curious George, Dr. Seuss, Dr. Spock, Mr. Spock, Dr. Mcedy, Jesus H. Christ, Pope John Paul II, Sister Theresa, The Flying Nun, Our Sister of Perpetual motion Armono Hammer, Screw Driver, Tom Collins, Shirley Temple, Bloody Mary, Virgin Mary, Harvey Wallbanger, Silly Conn, Didi Conn, Hartford Conn, Greenwich Conn, Flying Witch, Jane Bredeson, Silvy Seven Porches, Oaks Ames, Pine Ames, Maple Ames, Maple Syrup, Poison Oaks, Josef Stalin, Francisco Franco [at press time he was reportedly dead], Fernando Sinclair Auer, Rasta Farian, Mari Jane, and many, many more.

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# Disney Time Tonight

Seriously though,

## Class of '85 Holds Prom The Facts:

obscurantism and hypocrisy

This is a real step forward

FRIDAY

"One change that I am particularly happy about is that we added a procedure and process that would have to be followed before they could cut funding on any club."



## We Still Have Time

There will be a series of articles in The College Voice

Cheerleading Clinic

## Coke Is It

## A Dead Man In The Closet

by invitation only

## Harsh Learning to Live

## Have a fling with Fernando

"One day it suddenly occurred to my friend and me, 'Hey! There's a guy! Let's go out with him.'"

## Counseling Available

New York Times headline read, "Students to Vote on Suicide."

Maybe if they could understand...



## What Really is Revenge

## Sprotters Display Strange Fetish

## Harsh Reality Revealed

"It sounds as if he has confused Tip O'Neil with Karl Marx."

## a Social Vacuum

Books listed in the card catalogue with an "S" or the word "Special" are found in the Special Collections area.

Go out with Alison

Wake up in a time warp.

academic purposes are also unlikely to be successful

## Still Just a Dream

—come lay out or just chill with Bill.

"You keep thinking that next year you'll be a little more mature," he said.

Everyone is trying to make meaningful issues out of nothing. In general, things look pretty stupid.

The grant has had a galvinaizing effect on the campaign

## Cocaine Cocaine:

SGA

The goal is to embed their new mode of thinking in the United States.

No joke.

ambitious women and men,

## 'I'm So Confused'

sprotter terror squad abducts hens in harris "I suppose it's time to dry out," said coach

"BUT HOW SERIOUS CAN WE TAKE A STOLEN FOTOMAT SHED."

## What's Wrong With America?





# RAKING IN THE BUCKS FOR HOLLYWOOD

by Jessica Kleavage

Midway through the television season, some producers in Hollywood have already announced the projects in the works for next season. Like all of us, the big-money producers are influenced by trends, and their new programming certainly reflects this fact. Yes folks, Hollywood is finally going to exploit that great reservoir which has the enormous potential for providing hours of fine, family entertainment, namely politics, both domestic and international, and the people involved in political pursuits.

The most exciting program, currently being produced by Aaron Spelling, is a six hour mini-series entitled, "Me and My Shadow." According to Spelling, this "blockbuster television extravaganza" chronicles the last thirty years of the career of Yasir Arafat, from his meager origins as an ordinary hoodlum to his rise to a legitimate political personality. The production stars Dustin Hoffman and is currently being filmed in the Gaza Strip.

Another mini-series with a political overtone is "The Russian Tea Room" a "factual drama" which exposes the wheeling and dealing that occurs in the commissary at the Kremlin. According to one inside source, this series "has all the ingredients for a sure-fit hit. You know, sex, sap and scandal" Suzanne Somers, Tom Selleck, Telly Savalas and John Davidson head the all-star cast.

Howard Baker will return to Capitol Hill in a sense when he becomes the host of a new weekly series entitled "Capitol

Offense." This half hour series will take a light-hearted look at Congress with the use of blunders, goofs and embarrassing moments recorded on the Congressional television system. Among the highlights is a prank on Vice President Bush, instigated by Tip O'Neill and Ted Kennedy with the cooperation of President Reagan. The prank, called "Bedtime for Boy George" involves a series of misunderstandings in which Bush is convinced that he is going to be replaced by Jeanne Kirkpatrick. Bush is seen storming from the Senate chamber exclaiming, "It's time to kick some (beep) ass, and I'll do that for the Gipper!" while Senators Jesse Helms and Jack Kemp are in convulsions of laughter.

Taking advantage of the current religious fervor sweeping the country, Jerry Falwell, in his dramatic debut will co-star with Mr. T in a weekly series about evangelist saviors called "The God Squad." Each week the dynamic duo will be called upon to save the fallen from the grips of vice and liberalism. The series is fashioned after "Fantasy Island" in that celebrities will be appearing every week at the "Seventh Heaven Hotel and Retreat" in search of morality, purity, and the road to an eternal bliss.

The American public can look forward to these programs which will be appearing next Fall on all three major networks. Over the past few seasons, the quality of television has tarnished the reputation of Hollywood. Producers hope that these new programs will return a bit of a glimmer to the tinsel.

## Poultry Control

(CCSPS)—(Connecticut College Sprotter Press Service)—On February 23rd, a sprotter support group met on Harkness Green. The group focused on the shame and disgrace felt by members of Conn College's sprotting community.

"For once in my life, I didn't feel like some perverted freak," said Prudence (not her real name), a compulsive sprotter.

Another anonymous sprotter said, "It was great

letting all the frustration loose. At first I was embarrassed, but then I 'let the Old Cornish Game Hen Outta the bag' and I felt a lot better."

Commented Prudence, "I finally know that there might be a biological reason for my insatiable desire to sprot. I learned that it might be a result of all the poultry I ate as a child."

The support group was followed by an open sprot lawn party, where the sprotters sprotted and played with the refreshments.



## PERISHSCOPE

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**Washington** - President Reagan today denied knowing that his financial advisors had invested a considerable portion of his assets in the new Yellowstone Condo and Mall complex. He said, "My desition to turn the park over the developers was not based on my investments, really. Gosh, I didn't have any idea. I never do, really. Mommy, I mean Nancy, handles the business, and the feedings, of course."

**New London** - Vandals last Tuesday broke into President Oaks Ames' house and defaced Mrs. Ames. According to college sources the vandals gave Mrs. Ames a clue. This report could not be corroborated since Mrs. Ames is reportedly in the Arbo, walking around Ameslessly.

**New London** - Responding to reports from Washington that a brain was found, SGA President Ann Babcock expressed some interest in taking a closer look at the organ, saying "This is a unique opportunity for the student government. It's kind of like the Wizard of Oz—you know 'If I only had a brain.' If the student government," she sang to the famous movie theme, "had a brain, well, there wouldn't be a limit to what we could do..."

At that time Mr. Cushing Anderson, Parliamentarian of the SGA interrupted Ms. Babcock and said, "You're out of order, Ann. I'm in control here. I want order! Order! Ann you're under arrest. I'm invoking the Alexander Haig Doctrine. I'm in control here..."

Mr. Anderson was led away by some concerned Assembly members. He was given a glass of warm milk and put to bed. Ms. Babcock commented on the incident, "You'll have to excuse him, he was just in Ancient History and the Vandals just sacked Rome. He fears they might come over from Italy and sack Fanning. We're getting him a doc-

tor with Club Improvement Fund monies, first thing tomorrow morning."

**New York** - Vice-President George Bush had an independent thought today. White House staffers moved quickly to solve this problem. Mr. Bush was given all four volumes of Reagan-thought and ordered by the President to read them at once. Mrs. Bush reported that the Vice-President was no resting comfortably at home, proclaiming such safe slogans are: "Evil-godless empire" and "Give God an Education. Support the School Prayer Ammendment."

Mr. Deaver, an aid to President Reagan, stated, "We told George that Ron was packing a Magnum and he shaped up nicely. I don't think we should worry, he's no longer capable of thinking or speaking for himself."

**Washington** - Former Secretary of Labor Ramond Donovan, currently defending himself for his alleged involvement in fraud, was today cited as an assesory to the murder of Smokey the Bear. The dour symbol of forest fire prevention, Mr. Smokey was gunned down as he departed a cocktail party held in his honor, this past Saturday. Federal investigators cited Mr. Smokey's vocal opposition to the impending Reagan plan to convert Yellowstone Park into a condo and mall complex as a possible reason for the brutal murder. Mr. Donovan allegedly has significant holdings in the project development company, which would stand to earn millions in the projects.

Mr. Donovan only commented that, "I had no reason to do Smokey in. I mean, granted, he was a little over weight but that's hardly a reason for murder. Look at Ed Mease, he's quite a porker, but nobody touches him—nobody, not even his wife, but that's another story."